

RFP #323 Offeror Questions and Department of Social Services Responses

Question 1

How was the sample for the 2011 South Dakota Health Insurance Survey obtained? Was the sample determined by the vendor, or provided by the DSS?

Answer

The vendor obtained the sample for the 2011 South Dakota Health Insurance Survey. We are not prescribing any specific sampling method, and ask that the vendor provide a recommendation for a sampling method in their proposal.

Question 2

Will the sample for the proposed Health Insurance Survey be provided for vendors or will it have to be obtained?

Answer

No sample will be provided by the State. Vendors are encouraged to propose a sampling method.

Question 3

Do you want databases linked to the survey to assist in pre-filling the survey? (suggest: Federal Poverty Level, Zip Codes, ACA) so that we can automatically extract Federal Poverty Level %, Zip Code, coverage of ACA plan etc.

Answer

This is not a requirement. However, you may include these suggestions in your proposal.

Question 4

How many languages do you need this survey presented in?

Answer

One – English is the only required language for survey.

Question 5

What is the time frame that you need the survey completed by?

Answer

There is no specific completion date. However, the timeline and costs associated with that timeline will be part of the evaluation process. Vendors may submit multiple cost proposals with the projected time to completion and cost included.

Question 6

Will you offer any incentives for completing the survey? Are these acceptable to be placed in the project budget?

Answer

No incentives for completion of the survey will be offered to respondents.

Question 7

Do you want respondents to be routed to applicable sections: page 15 Section IV. Question 4: Native Americans / Section V. Those with Private Insurance /p. 15 Section VI. Uninsured / p.18 Section XI. Employer Sponsored Insurance

Answer

Yes, respondents should only be routed to applicable sections of the survey.

Question 8

Do you need an Institutional Review Board (IRB) approval to conduct this survey?

Answer

No. IRB approval is not required.

Question 9

What level of statistical reporting is required?

Answer

The goal of the survey is to reassess most of the findings from the 2011 South Dakota Health Insurance Survey. The vendor will be expected to provide statistical reporting that allows the State to easily compare the findings from this survey to the 2011 survey. The findings from the 2011 report are available at http://federalhealthreform.sd.gov/documents/exchange_market_decisions_report.pdf